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TREA$URER: Jim Church, K6$LA, Vi$ta

Membership in the Palomar Amateur Radio Club is a measly $7.50 per year, with time off for good behaviour but no initiation fee like some of the big guys charge. Since all memberships terminate at the end of July, for this month only we have a real deal for you - membership dues are only $5.25. So sign up now before the price goes down. Family memberships are $7.50 for the first family member and $5 for each subsequent family member living at the same address. The SCOPE, without club membership, is $2.50 per year. The SCOPE is included in the club dues - whether you want it or not. Make checks payable to the PALOMAR AMATEUR RADIO CLUB and get them to Jim Church at the P.O. Box address above or at club meeting or flea market. Each enlistment or reenlistment will get you one ticket to the picnic raffle.

The Palomar Amateur Radio Club owns and operates WR6AII, a 2M FM repeater with an input frequency of 146.130 mHz and an output of 146.730 mHz, located at about 5,600 feet on Mount Palomar; and a UHF FM repeater with an input of 444.424 mHz and an output frequency of 449.425 mHz presently located at the foot of the San Marcos Mountains between Vista and San Marcos. Both repeaters are for club members and occasional transient users. They are carrier operated.

Our Repeater Committee Chairman, John Kuivinen, WB6IQS, says that the new antenna for the 450 mHz machine has been located, and is supposedly once again on its way to its destination at the PARC.

Co-located with WR6AII on Mount Palomar is WD6HFR, an open, carrier-operated 220 mHz repeater belonging to the 220 Club of San Diego. The 220 Club kindly extends operating privileges on WD6HFR to PARC members. The input frequency is 223.300 mHz and the output is 224.900 mHz.

The club's first meeting of 1981 will take place on Wednesday, January 7th at 7:30 of the evening in Glendale Federal Savings and Loan at Anza and East Vista Way in balmy downtown Veesta. WB6HMY says that he's working on a program, but that if the program falls through, he'll just have to fall back on 12 (count 'em 12) beautiful dancing girls. So come out and see wha' hoppens; and what the club's 1981 organization and goals will be. Maybe you can help - perish forbid.

When you attend the club meetings try and spring for at least a buck's worth of tickets for the drawings. The club needs the $$$ since we have no income yet from the revived flea mart. The prize table is NOT self-supporting due to the low number of tickets purchased. This, of course, means that fewer quality prizes can be purchased, and so fewer tickets are purchased. Let's lend a hand and get things back on the up-swing.

FLEA MARKET: The revived flea market now takes place at the Valley Drive-In Theater on the north side of Mission (Route 76), just west of El Camino Real in Oceanside. The January flea mart will start at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday the 18th. Ham sellers occupy the row closest to Mission. In February the flea mart will change to the 3rd Saturday of the month vice the 3rd Sunday. For more details on the flea market call Casey, KA6CRI, or Micky, WA6WQI, or any of the club's officers. Come on out and help things get rolling again. Micky and Casey need help in the operation of the club table at the flea mart so step up and give them a hand.

The club's Executive Committee meets <u>almost</u> every second Thursday of the month at Sambo's on Broadway in Veesta. When it does, it meets at 7:30 post meridian, and interested club members are welcome to observe.

AT THE DECEMBER CLUB MEETING: Frank Ramme, WB6HFE, gave us a very interesting slide show. Charley, WB6ZJZ announced the requirement for new chairmen for the Interference, Prize, and Refreshment Committees. Frank, N6AT, presented a request from the Mission Trail Net that the club accept an annual contribution from the MTN to the William J. Gilmour Scholarship Fund. Bill Gilmour was a long-time MTN member. A letter, accepting the MTN donation, will be sent promptly. Election of the club's officers for 1981 was held, and Sam, KD6BW, was elected President; Joe, WB6HMY, Vice President; Bill, WB6TBQ, Secretary; and Jim, K6$LA, Trea$urer. Their election was unanimous. Sam took the gavel from Charley and expressed the club's gratitude to the out-going officers for the fine job they have done for the club. Sam also asked for the cooperation of the members to help make this year a successful one for the club. WB6HMY asked for the assistance of the members in helping him to locate good programs for our meetings.

AT THE DECEMBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING: Sam, KD6BW, said that a Refreshment Committee Chairman is still needed. Bob, KA6DWV, plans to increase interest in the prize drawings so that it no longer loses money. Les, W6JSL, has the new 1981 Call Books for the club to distribute. Cost to club members only will be $15 for the U.S. and $14.50 for the Foreign Call Books, or $28.50 if both are purchased together. Jim, K6$LA suggested that the SCOPE accept business card-type advertising. Further investigation of the printing of paid advertising will be conducted. Changing the club's flea mart from the 3rd Sunday to the 3rd Saturday was discussed. It was so moved, seconded and carried, to be put into effect starting with the February flea mart. KD6BW suggested that the SCOPE carry more HF and DX news. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Vice President be authorized to pay mileage and a meal for guest speakers where he felt it warranted. New and re-newed club members will now receive one ticket for the club picnic prize drawings upon newal or renewal. KA6DXG is the new Chairman of the club's Interference Committee, which will concern itself with TVI, RFI, and interference on WR6AII.

Get one of those GREAT Palomar Amateur Radio Club badges for dress and every day wear. Jim, K6$LA, will be glad to take your $$$$ and order your very own badge for you. See Jim and leave the faceless mob - get recognition - get with it.

The club's North County Traffic Net meets nightly on WR6AII (2M) to handle traffic within, for, and from San Diego County.

WILLIAM J. GILMOUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND: As indicated earlier, the Mission Trail Net, of which Bill Gilmour, W6VTV, was a long-time member, has asked that the net be permitted to make an annual donation to the Fund, and the club has accepted. The club has also received a donation to the Fund from Marian Peak, WB6OTP, who knew him.

Bill's daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Lookabill, in a recent letter said in part: "I've received the club paper with the mention of the awarding of the first scholarship in Papa's name to Miss Van Tran. I'm so grateful to all of the club for so honoring Dad's memory. How thrilled he would be, and somehow he knows what his dear friends have done for him. I'm so glad he had the network to interest him - I really believe it kept him alive and going and interested - perhaps longer than he might have otherwise."

FORESAIL: (Up on the bow, wow - must be the dog watch)

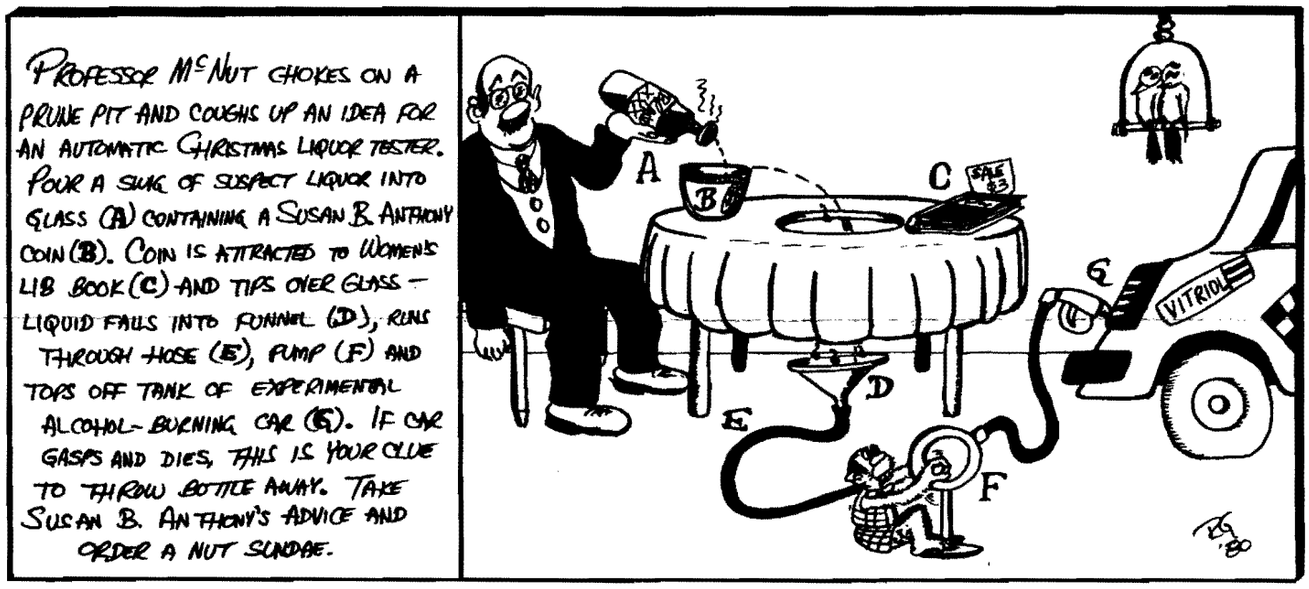
ICOM IC-230 2M FM xcvr w/5 kHz split xtals and Touch Tone mike; $150. Call Fred, WA6KEY, at 726-3907. That's a real good deal for someone.

Dopplescan RDF equipment complete with antennae and completely assembled. Call Les, W6J$L, at 726-1313. If a polite, cheerful fellow answers the phone, hang up. Itsa wrong number.

WANTED: Folks to help with the flea market and with the Refreshment Committee. If you can help, talk to Sam, KD6BW.

How about making a grab bag or two from your junque box. Bob, KA6DWV, will relish the use of your treasures on the club's prize table to help take up some of the slack created by the lack of ticket purchases.

Bob Gonsett, WA6QQQ, is not only a professional in the electronics business, he's also quite a cartoonist. He sent the club a handdrawn Xmas card with the original artwork to the SCOPE



Bob says to use it as a New Year card, and sends his best to the club.

Charley, WB6ZJZ, says that he knows of three DXpeditions this month. They are: WA4SKE operating as 7Q7RM or under his own call sign from Malawi for 72 hours starting 2/27 on 14,195, 21,290, and 28,590 kHz; K2FJ operating from Gibralter from 1/29 to 2/12, call sign yet unknown; and 6UØKK operating from Sudan from the present to 1/15. Thanks, Charley.

Gene Stephens, KA6HOQ and ex-W6JRW, sends his thanks to the PARC for putting him in touch with "...my mentor, Doug Maw, W6DBV, and renewal of a very old acquaintance. I used to mow Doug's lawn when he lived in Loma Portal in 1927-28 and it was through his encouragement tha I finally got my 1st license, W6JRW in the 30s!! What ever happend to Mel Bacon, W6NWG? Also Ralph Culbertson, W6CHV? Am enjoying reading SCOPE, it's very interesting. 73 and Merry Christmas". Gene, Mel Bacon is a silent key - the club has his call sign, W6NWG, and used it on our repeater until WR6AII was assigned. We now use it for field day - and I suspect will again use it on the repeater since the WR call signs are not being reissued. Ralph Culbertson, W6CHV, can be reached at 7172 Eads Av, La Jolla 92037.

ARRL BULLETINS OF INTEREST:
Bulletin 131 of 12/9 says: "FCC has announced Phase Three of its amateur call sign assignment system, beginning with amateur applications received by the Commission on or after December 15, 1980. Licensees who do not already hold a call sign reflecting their class of license may request a call sign change. All call signs are selected by the Commission, and requests by amateurs for specific call signs will not be honored. If you already hold a call sign reflecting your class of license, you are not eligible for a call sign change unless you are changing your mailing address to a new call sign district. All amateurs have the option of keeping their present call signs under all circumstances, even if moving to another call sign district or upgrading to a higher class license. An unexpired secondary station call sign may be requested by its licensee as the primary station call sign at any time before expiration of the secondary station license. Effective with Phase Three, all amateur applications must be made on the new August 1980 version of the FCC Form 610. Do not use obsolete 610 forms to request call sign changes or to apply for a higher class license. Details will appear in February QST. New 610 Forms are available from ARRL Hq. A self addressed envelope will be appreciated." Note that the new 610 forms are also available from FCC Field Offices (not monitoring stations).
Thanks to Frank, N6AT, for the foregoing.

If anyone has a copy of a picture of the presentation of the William J. Gilmour Scholarship Award to Miss Van Tran, please bring it to the next meeting. We'd like to send a copy to W6VTV's daughter, Charlotte.

The program for the January meeting will be presented by Mr. Steiner or the National Weather Service at Lindberg Field. His last presentation was great.

DOWN THE TOOBE:

Bill, K6GJD, just couldn't stand to be left out so he followed K6ROR into the hospital just after Thanksgiving for a hot patch job on a hernia. Bill is home and doing just fine.

John, WB6IQS, was saved from a long, very foggy ride down I-5 from L.A. one recent night by helpful hams on an L.A. repeater who warned him of the very hazardous conditions. John spent the night in L.A.

Boots Olsen, W6HAW, is building a new house up on the side of the San Marcos Mountains, where he'll look into Jack's, W6QP, windows. A dandy location it is, too. And it all runs down hill to the Postmaster's house! Look out below.

Congratulations to Bob Rice, ex-WB6OZT, and now KS6S. Bob got the new, tongue-twisting call just before Thanksgiving, and is used to it by now.

We'd like to hear Bill, K6GJD, in a QSO with Russ Ohl, N6DJG - talk about tongue-twisters. Russ recently was re-licensed, having been in amateur radio years ago. I think he told me he is 83 and has slowed down a lot, having suffered a stroke, but he's back on the air from an apartment that permits no exterior antennas. His daughter is WB7BRK. She's doing some missionary work, trying to get her dad up on 2M FM where an exterior antenna wouldn't be required to work WR6AII.

Cy Huvar, W6GBF, formerly of San Diego, and ex-SCM, was in the area for three weeks over the holidays. Cy now lives up in Alturas, diagonally across the state.

Thanks to Gene Horrall, K6PP, for his contribution to the support of WR6AII. We do appreciate all of the folks who, though they can't make the club meetings, do lend their support by joining.

Our Alaskan correspondent and aging but agile super jogger, John Trent, KL7DG, and his XYL, Marcie, stopped through the other day and had an eyeball with Bob, WA6KZM, and his XYL. John was on his way to Phoenix, where Marcie ran in the Fiesta Bowl Marathon, and won the 60 and over division of that marathon. She also finished higher than anyone in the 50-60 age group, finishing in 3 hours, 30' 60" and qualified again for the Boston Marathon. She holds the U.S. record for her age division. John and Marcie have lived in KL7-land for thirty years. He was one of the PARC's original members.

Steve Thomas, ex-WB6BRN, was in the area over the holidays. He's now N6ST. Steve was working up in Silicon Valley the last we heard from him, and was gainfully employed at that hot-bed of hamunism at TV Craftsmen in Vista while he was going to school.

Don't forget that if you're joining or re-joining the ARRL, do so via the club and the club will get $1½ that would otherwise go to the ARRL, and it doesn't cost you anymore. $18 per year and make checks payable to the Palomar Amateur Radio Club and get it, with your renewal paper to Jim Church .

Hope you all had a merry Christmas; and have a happy New Year.

"That's all", she wrote.

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